

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:610
ANSWERED ON:17.05.2007
INFORMATION ON FIRST WAR OF INDEPENDENCE
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

he scheme formulated by the Government to provide authentic information on the First War Independence in 1857 to the new generation of the country and inculcated the feeling of patriotism in them?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM & CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 610 FOR 17.5.2007 REGARDING INFORMATION ON FIRST WAR OF INDEPENDENCE

The following are some of the projects conceived to disseminate the information:

- (i) reprinting of the already published governments publications on the recommendation of a committee constituted by Ministry of HRD and Ministry of I&B.
- (ii) Establishment of National Freedom Museum
- (iii) A Mobile Exhibition on train to go around the country.

The participation of the people and the involvement of youth is an important ingredient of these events. Inaugural function has already been held on 11th May 2007 at Red Fort where youths from all parts of the country assembled. They marched from Meerut to Delhi symbolizing the march of sepoy from Meerut in 1857. State Govt. and Union Territories have also been advised to set up state level committees to chalk out programmes. These programmes will inculcate a feeling of patriotism by involving and sensitizing the people especially the younger generation with our struggle for freedom.